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§ 56.40 Grading requirements of shell eggs identified with consumer grademarks.

- (a) Shell eggs to be identified with the grademarks illustrated in §56.36 must be individually graded by a grader or by authorized personnel pursuant to §56.11 and thereafter check graded by a grader.
- (b) Shell eggs not graded in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section may be officially graded on a sample basis and the shipping containers may be identified with grademarks which contain the words "Sample Graded" and which are approved by the Administrator.
- (c) Shell eggs which are to bear the U.S. consumer grademark shall be packed only from eggs of current production. They shall not possess any undesirable odors or flavors.

[32 FR 8231, June 8, 1967. Redesignated at 42 FR 32514, June 27, 1977, as amended at 46 FR 39571, Aug. 4, 1981. Redesignated at 46 FR 63203, Dec. 31, 1981, as amended at 63 FR 13331, Mar. 19, 1998]

§ 56.41 Check grading officially identified product.

Officially identified shell eggs packed or received in an official plant may be subject to final check grading prior to their shipment. Such product found not to be in compliance with the assigned official grade shall be placed under a retention tag until it is regraded to comply with the grade assigned or until the official identification is removed.

[35 FR 5664, Apr. 8, 1970. Redesignated at 42 FR 32514, June 27, 1977, and further redesignated at 46 FR 63203, Dec. 31, 1981]

§§ 56.42-56.43 [Reserved]

FEES AND CHARGES

§ 56.45 Payment for fees and charges.

- (a) Fees and charges for any grading service shall be paid by the interested party making the application for such grading service, in accordance with the applicable provisions of this section and §§56.46 to 56.54, both inclusive; and, if so required by the grader, such fees and charges shall be paid in advance.
- (b) Fees and charges for any grading service shall, unless otherwise required

pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section, be paid by check, draft, or money order payable to the Agricultural Marketing Service and remitted promptly to the Service.

(c) Fees and charges for any grading service under a cooperative agreement with any State or person shall be paid in accordance with the terms of such cooperative agreement.

[33 FR 20004, Dec. 31, 1968 and 42 FR 2971, Jan. 14, 1977. Redesignated at 42 FR 32514, June 27, 1977, and further redesignated at 46 FR 63203, Dec. 31, 1981]

§ 56.46 On a fee basis.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in this part, the fees to be charged and collected for any service performed, in accordance with this part, on a fee basis shall be based on the applicable rates specified in this section.
- (b) Fees for grading services will be based on the time required to perform the services. The hourly charge shall be \$51.32 and shall include the time actually required to perform the grading, waiting time, travel time, and any clerical costs involved in issuing a certificate.
- (c) Grading services rendered on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays shall be charged for at the rate of \$59.12 per hour. Information on legal holidays is available from the Supervisor.

[65 FR 57941, Sept. 27, 2000]

§56.47 Fees for appeal grading or review of a grader's decision.

The cost of an appeal grading or review of a grader's decision shall be borne by the appellant on a fee basis at rates set forth in \$56.46, plus any travel and additional expenses. If the appeal grading or review of a grader's decision discloses that a material error was made in the original determination, no fee or expenses will be charged.

[63 FR 52133, Sept. 30, 1998]

§ 56.49 Travel expenses and other charges.

Charges are to be made to cover the cost of travel and other expenses incurred by the service in connection with rendering grading service. Such